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Applicant: Havla, *et al.*

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ALUMINIUM HYDROXIDE

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of this amendment and response submitted in reply to the Office Action dated January 12, 2007. A three-month period was set for response. Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of the period of reply. This amendment and response is timely filed with payment of the extension fee on or before June 12, 2007. Please charge any additional requisite fees relating to this amendment and response to Deposit Account No. 19-2570.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.